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## Local Prices to Be Checked by OPA

Prices at the center canteens are to be checked periodically by two persons who were recently appointed to the OPA Price Panel by H.W. Riebling of the District OPA office in Phoenix on his visit here this week.

The appointees, additions to the Parker rationing board, are Mrs. Phil Cassilly and Mrs. John Hunter. They will turn local prices in to the Parker board, where they will be compared with current ceiling prices.

## CORRECTION

Weekly wages at the Tooele Ordnance Depot are not, as stated in the Sept. 21 issue of the Chronicle, \$82.96 per week, but are about \$40 week. This can go up to about \$50 week. Also basic pay is 77¢ hour, not 70¢ hour.

In connection with the Tooele Ordnance plant offer, Captain Kinney of the Tooele Ordnance Depot, and Ted Lewis of the Salt Lake City WRA, will be in Poston the latter part of next week.

## OVER 30,000 LEAVE CENTER

More than 400 evacuees go out on indefinite leave each week, according to WRA Director Dillon S. Myer.

The total number of relocated persons as of September 8 was 30,572, which left 60,100 remaining in the eight relocation centers.

In addition, about 5,233 are now on seasonal leave.

## PVT. JOU OKITSU BRAVES HEAVY FIRE to SUMMON AID for WOUNDED BUDDIES

Hero is from Poston

Private Jou Okitsu from Poston, who is fighting with the 442nd Combat Team in Italy, recently made his way more than a half mile through heavy artillery, machine gun and sniper fire to get aid for 15 wounded buddies, according to a War Department release.

Okitsu, formerly of Los Angeles, is a messenger in a rifle company with the 442nd, which participated in the 34th "Red Bull" Division's drive toward Leghorn.

In the vicinity of Suvereto, Italy, the enemy occupied a high hill commanding the flat ground over which the Japanese Americans were advancing. German heavy artillery, mortar, and small arms fire sprayed them continually, pinning down one company of rifleman on the right flank. Okitsu's company was emplaced about 900 yards from the enemy on a small knoll on the left flank. The supporting company, occupying an open area some 2000 yards from the German position, was being plastered by concentrated artillery and mortar fire.

In the initial barrage, 15 men of the supporting company were injured. These casualties managed to work their way to Okitsu's company under the covering fire of the forward company. He aided the wounded men in finding cover and making them comfortable as possible.

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## Dogs Will Receive Second Injection

The second injection of rabies vaccine will be given to dogs by the project veterinarian on his next visit here, according to O. A. Dennis, project sanitarian.

All dog owners are asked to bring their dogs to their unit vaccination stations, according to the following schedule: Unit I, Wed., Sept. 27, 1 p.m., at the elementary school auditorium; Unit II, Thurs., Sept. 28, 1 p.m., at the police station; Unit III, Fri., Sept. 29, 1 p.m., at Poston Square Garden.

Dogs which have not yet received their first injection should also be brought to the stations, where they will be given a larger amount of vaccine than the dogs receiving their second injections.

Certificates will be given the owners of all dogs vaccinated to show that their dogs are protected against rabies for a period of one year.

## POST OFFICE RELEASES AIR MAIL SCHEDULE

An airmail time-table has been secured from the Post Office on the time when letters sent by air reach key cities of the nation.

Airmail to San Francisco reaches its destination at 3 p.m. the day after it is sent out from Poston; Salt Lake City at 7 p.m. the

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